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## BY FAX AND POST

Dear Ms Kimble

Thank you for your letter and fax dated 2<sup>nd</sup> August and for bringing me up to date.

I have spoken to Ruth Duncan and she disputes the inventorship input of Don Tomalia and Roseita Esfand and therefore is unwilling to sign the documentation you sent on 11<sup>th</sup> March. I realise this makes the position very difficult. Ruth, who has sadly just lost her aunt, will be in contact with you at the beginning of the week.

Yours sincerely

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